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SENATE MEMORIAL 7

**49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009**

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 4, 2009 AS "BLUE STAR MOTHERS DAY" AT THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, blue star mothers was founded as a veterans' services organization and was part of a movement to provide care packages to military members serving overseas and also to provide assistance to families encountering hardships as a result of their loved ones serving in war; and

WHEREAS, in 1960, congress chartered the blue star mothers of America as a veterans' services organization; and

WHEREAS, there are eight blue star mothers of America chapters in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of blue star mothers is to perpetuate the memory of all the men and women who have served this country as members of the armed forces, to be patriotic, to

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1 foster true democracy, to care for the unsupported mothers who  
2 gave their children to the service of the nation, to uphold the  
3 American institutions of freedom, justice and equal rights and  
4 to defend the United States from all enemies; and

5 WHEREAS, blue star mothers have children protecting  
6 freedom, liberty and justice during this time of war in  
7 Afghanistan, Iraq and around the world, and one of the most  
8 difficult challenges a mother can face is to know that her  
9 child's life is at risk; and

10 WHEREAS, blue star mothers provides support for the  
11 families of active duty service personnel, as well as promotes  
12 patriotism, assists veterans' organizations and is available to  
13 assist in homeland volunteer efforts to help our country remain  
14 strong;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
16 OF NEW MEXICO that it express its appreciation to the mothers  
17 and other family members of military personnel; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that February 4, 2009 be recognized  
19 as "Blue Star Mothers Day" at the senate and that recognition  
20 be extended to all the blue star mothers chapters in New Mexico  
21 for their sacrifice, patriotism and service to military  
22 personnel, their families and America; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
24 transmitted to the presidents of the eight blue star mothers  
25 chapters in New Mexico.

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